# Contract Management: Basic Configuration

Maintain a secure and efficient environment by improving routing, notification, review and approval in your contract management scenario.

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Laserfiche can help improve routing, notification, review and approval in any contract management scenario. This basic scenario – one that many Laserfiche users face – demonstrates how <u>Laserfiche Workflow</u> creates a strict review process and maintains an efficient, secure environment.

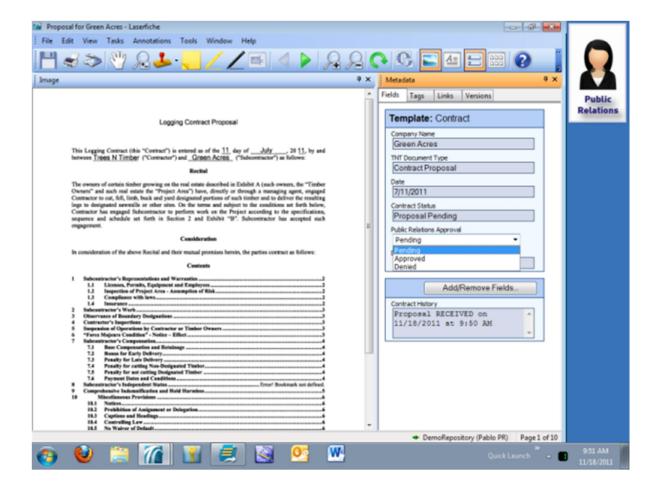
In this scenario, a contract workflow is initiated by importing a proposal.

- This proposal can be imported into Laserfiche using Laserfiche Scanning, Laserfiche Quick Fields, or drag and drop.
- At this point, Laserfiche Workflow is initiated.
- A standard contract is copied by Laserfiche Workflow from a forms library and placed with the proposal.

#### **Public Relations**

Often members of the **Public Relations** team will be required to check contracts to ensure that the contract will not harm the company image.

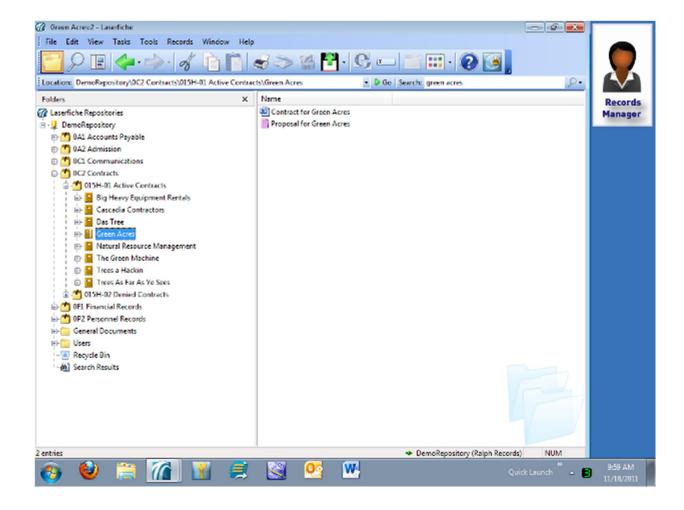
- The Public Relations Manager is not required to have any other involvement with the contract process past approving the contract.
- Their access can be limited to an initial inspection.
- After the Public Relations Manager has approved the contract, the document will disappear from their folder view.



## **Records Manager**

The document will then enter the domain of the Records Manager.

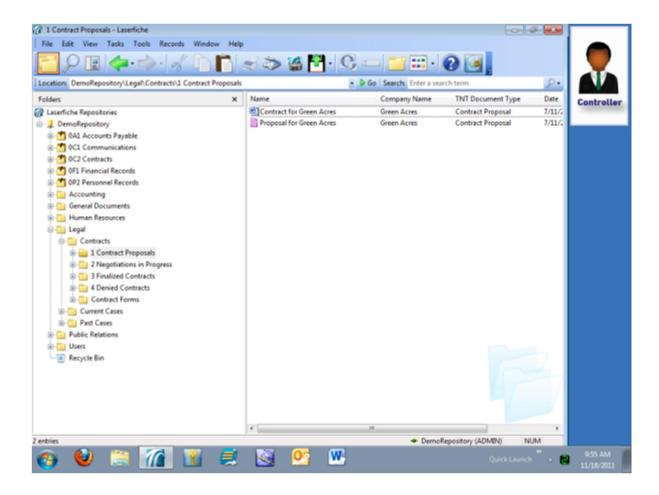
• Throughout this entire process, the Records Manager retains a copy of the contract but will not be able to edit or manipulate the contract in any form.



### **Controller**

In addition to sending the contract to the Public Relations Manager and the Records Manager, Laserfiche Workflow also sends a copy to the **Financial Controller**.

- The Financial Controller will receive a notification that a contract requires their approval.
- They will be able to open and edit the contract using Microsoft Word.
- They can view a series of folders that align with each stage of the contract negotiation process:
- 1. Contract Proposals
- 2. Negotiations in Progress
- 3. Finalized Contracts
- 4. Denied Contracts
- As the Financial Controller updates the metadata, Laserfiche Workflow automatically moves the contract between the folders.



Once the Controller approves the contract, the final contract is saved.

- Using <u>Transparent Records Management</u>, the actual contract is stored directly in the records management interface.
- For simplicity, a shortcut is provided to the Financial Controller.

## **Workflow Design**

Throughout the process, Laserfiche Workflow has updated the metadata and routed the document according to the defined business process.

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